REMARKS

Claims 9, 11 - 14 and 17 - 19 are in this application and are presented for consideration.

By this Amendment, Applicant has revised claim 9 including the subject matter of allowable claim 10. Further, claim 11 has been revised to include the subject matter of allowable claim 16 along with intervening claim 15.

All claims which have been rejected have been canceled or made dependent on an allowable claim.

It is Applicant's position that the application is now in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner determine that any issues remain which have not been resolved by this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone Applicant's attorney at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted For Applicant,

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SHOULD ANY OTHER FEE BE REQUIRED, THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE IS HEREBY REQUESTED TO CHARGE SUCH FEE TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 13-0410.

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